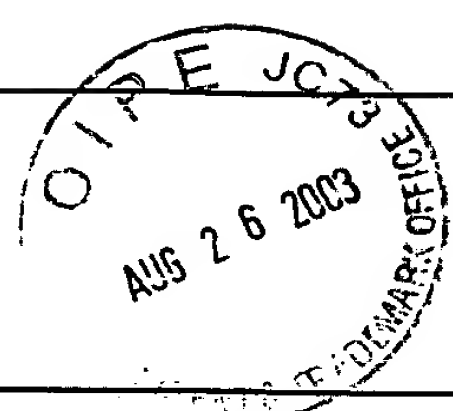


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2. Applicants respectfully request a three month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2003 for which a response period expiring on May 26, 2003 was set. The extended period expires on August 26, 2003.
3. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fee of **\$465.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.
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